(ख) योजना 5 फरवरी, 1998 से लागू की गयी है।

(ग) जी, नहीं। योजना मई, 1998 से कार्यान्वयन की प्रक्रिया के अधीन है।

(घ) 1998-99 के लिए इस योजना के लिए खर्च की जाने वाली प्रस्तावित राशि 5.895 करोड़ रु० आंकी गयी है।

Setting up of Food and Craft Bazars

3189. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:
DR. MOHAN BABU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Dilli Haat type food and crafts, bazars in the country during the Ninth Five year Plan;

(b) if so, State-wise and location-wise details of the proposals formulated by Government;

(c) the details of fund allocated for the purpose during this plan;

(d) whether these haats will provide an opportunity for village artisans and craftsmen to exhibit and sell their wares and set up food and exhibition stalls;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the effective measures being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard and by when it is likely to be started the construction work of these haats?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA): (a) to (f) Yes, Sir. The scheme of Urban Haats including allocation of funds is presently under process of approval. After approval of the scheme, the Government shall accord approval to viable proposals for setting up of Urban Haats, which may be received from State Governments or other eligible implementing agencies. The proposed scheme envisages allotment of stalls to artisans and craftsmen for limited durations on payment of rent, with a view to providing them marketing opportunities.

NTC and Public Sector Mills in Gujarat

3190. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Textile mills which are lying closed in Gujarat as on date, both under NTC and public sector, separately;

(b) whether all of them have been referred to BIFR;

(c) whether Government have prepared a unit-wise viabilty report in respect of these textile mills; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and reaction of BIFR with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA): (a) NTC has under its 11 mills located in Gujarat. None of its 11 mills in Gujarat are lying closed.

(b) to (d) NTC (Gujarat) Ltd. has been referred to BIFR due to erosion of its net worth. The BIFR has issued a show cause notice for winding up the Company. The final decision is still awaited.

In the meanwhile, on the basis of a unit-wise viability study made by NTC, Government is considering a revised turn around strategy for the viable mills of NTC, keeping in view the BIFR norm of the net worth of these mills turning positive, within the period prescribed by BIFR. The interest of the workers will be kept in view in the revival plan.

Relief under TWRFS to the workers of closed mills.

3191. SHRI RAMJI LAL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what prompted Government to deprive the workers of State Public Sector Textile Mills from getting relief under the Textiles Workers Relief Fund Scheme;